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PUBLIC LAW 86-227

S. 1521

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Mar. 24, 1959	Senator Gore introduced S. 1521 which was referred to Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Print of bill as introduced.
	Rep. Evins introduced H. R. 5973 which was referred to House Committee on Agriculture. Print of bill as introduced.
June 3, 1959	Senate committee voted to report S. 1521.
June 5, 1959	Senate committee reported S. 1521 with amendments. Senate Report 348. Print of bill and Senate report.
June 12, 1959	Senate passed S. 1521 as reported.
June 15, 1959	S. 1521 was referred to House Committee on Agriculture.
Aug. 4, 1959	House committee voted to report H. R. 5973.
Aug. 24, 1959	House committee reported S. 1521 without amendment. House Report 966. Print of bill and House report.
Aug. 31, 1959	House passed S. 1521 without amendment.
Sept. 8, 1959	Approved: Public Law 86-227.

DIGEST OF PUBLIC LAW 86-227

CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO TENNESSEE. Authorizes and directs the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Tennessee for public purposes all right, title, and interest of the U. S. in and to a tract of land of approximately 14.36 acres in Cumberland County (this land was conveyed to the State in 1938 for use for State park and forest purposes only).

S. 1521

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 24, 1959

Mr. GORE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

A BILL

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed
4 to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to
5 the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining
6 in the United States in and to the following described tract
7 of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is
8 held by such State under a deed executed by the Farm
9 Security Administrator in 1938:

10 Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway

1 Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads
2 and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs
3 with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12
4 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence
5 continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23
6 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a
7 stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway
8 south 43 degrees 03 minutes and 15 seconds east 155.65
9 feet to a stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees
10 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence
11 north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90
12 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45
13 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36
14 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner
15 of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County,
16 Tennessee.

A BILL

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

By Mr. GORE

MARCH 24, 1959

Read twice and referred to the Committee on
Agriculture and Forestry

86TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5973

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 1959

Mr. EVINS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed
4 to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to
5 the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining
6 in the United States in and to the following described tract
7 of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is
8 held by such State under a deed executed by the Farm
9 Security Administrator in 1938:

1 Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway
2 Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads
3 and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs with
4 the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12 minutes
5 and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence continuing
6 with the centerline of said highway south 23 degrees 38
7 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a stake; thence
8 continuing with the centerline of said highway south 43
9 degrees 03 minutes and 15 seconds east 155.65 feet to a
10 stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees 13
11 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence
12 north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90
13 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and
14 45 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36
15 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner
16 of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County,
17 Tennessee.

A BILL

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

By Mr. EVINS

MARCH 24, 1959

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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HIGHLIGHTS: Senate passed agricultural appropriation bill. Both Houses agreed to conference report on Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill. Sen. Murray criticized Secretary's surplus food distribution policies. Senate committee voted to report bill to extend FHA authority for refinancing loans. Sens. Humphrey and Symington introduced and Sen. Humphrey discussed bill to transfer surplus food distribution activities to HEW.

SENATE

1. AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION BILL, 1960. Passed with amendments, 74 to 10, this bill, H. R. 7175 (pp. 8701-13).

Agreed to an amendment by Sen. Allott to provide that \$15,000 of the funds for AMS marketing services shall be available for range and feedlot market reporting in Colorado and adjacent areas (pp. 8701-2).

Agreed to a "clarifying amendment" by Sen. Russell to provide that the \$1 million for ARS to provide for additional labor to be employed under contracts and cooperative agreements to strengthen the work at research installations in the field may be used by ARS "in Departmental research programs" (p. 8704).

A point of order by Sen. Young, N. Dak., was sustained against an amendment by Sen. Douglas which would have provided that in carrying out the price support programs required by law no funds or stocks of CCC shall be utilized for the

purpose of carrying out price support operations for any crop planted after Jan. 1, 1960, for which expected production for such year exceed domestic consumption plus normal exports, plus set-asides required by law for national emergency purposes, by more than 3 percent, and for which the Secretary has failed to provide acreage allotments, production goals, and marketing practices pursuant to sec. 401 (c) of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended (pp. 8704-09).

Rejected, 37 to 48, an amendment by Sen. Williams, Del., to reduce from \$450 million to \$375 million the limitation on the conservation reserve authorization for payments to producers in any calendar year (pp. 8702-04).

Conferees were appointed (p. 8710). House conferees have not yet been appointed.

2. TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION BILL, 1960. Both Houses agreed to the conference report on this bill, H. R. 5805 (pp. 8715, 8739). This bill will now be sent to the President.
3. SURPLUS FOODS. Sen. Murray called attention to hearings to be held by the Agriculture and Forestry Committee on S. 1884, to transfer authority from this Department to HEW for the distribution of surplus commodities to the needy, criticized this Department's administration of the surplus food distribution program, and inserted the text of a letter from this Department opposing S. 66 to authorize CCC to process food commodities for donation purposes. pp. 8692-4.
4. THE AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY COMMITTEE voted to report (but did not actually report) the following bills: p. D428
 - S. 1941, without amendment, to extend sec. 17 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act for two years so as to permit real estate loans by FHA for re-financing farm debts.
 - S. 864, with amendment, to authorize this Department to dispose of animals infected or exposed to communicable diseases dangerous to livestock or poultry
 - S. 1512, with amendment, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to transfer responsibility for making appraisals from the Farm Credit Administration to the Federal land banks.
 - S. 1513, with amendment, to clarify the status of the Federal land banks, Federal intermediate credit banks, and banks for cooperatives and their officers and employees with respect to certain laws applicable generally to the U. S. and its officers and employees.
 - S. 1521, with amendment, to provide for the removal of restrictions on use with respect to a tract of land in Cumberland Co., Tenn., formerly under the jurisdiction of FHA, which was conveyed to Tenn.
5. ALASKA. Passed with amendments S. 1541, to amend laws of the U. S. in light of the admission of Alaska into the Union (pp. 8715-21, 8737-8).

Agreed to an amendment by Sen. Gruening to clarify the conditions under which property utilized on functions curtailed by the Federal Government in Alaska may be transferred to the State. Sen. Gruening stated that the purpose of the amendment was to make clear that it provides "for the transfer of property, and not for the transfer of government functions." (pp. 8720-1).

Agreed to a motion by Sen. Jackson to substitute the language of the bill as passed for the text of a similar bill, H. R. 7120, as passed by the House. H. R. 7120 was then passed. S. 1541 was indefinitely postponed. (p. 8721).
6. BUDGET. Sen. Bridges inserted an editorial favoring his bill to require the President to submit a balanced budget. p. 8737

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HIGHLIGHTS: Senate committee reported Interior appropriation bill (includes Forest Service). To be debated today, June 8. Senate committee reported bill to extend authority for refinancing farm loans. House debated public works appropriation bill. House committee reported mutual security authorization bill.

SENATE

1. APPROPRIATIONS. The Appropriations Committee reported with amendments H. R. 5915, the Interior Department appropriation bill for fiscal year 1960, which includes Forest Service items (S. Rept. 345) (p. 8970). At the end of this Digest is a table showing the Forest Service items and excerpts from the committee report.

Agreed to a unanimous-consent agreement by Sen. Johnson to begin debate on this bill Mon., June 8, with debate on any amendment limited to 30 minutes, and debate on final passage limited to 2 hours. (p. 8985)

2. THE AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY COMMITTEE reported the following bills: (p. 8970)

S. 1941, without amendment, to extend sec. 17 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act for two years so as to continue the authority of FHA to make real estate loans for refinancing farm debts (S. Rept. 347).

S. 864, with amendment, to authorize this Department to dispose of animals infected or exposed to communicable diseases dangerous to livestock or poultry (S. Rept. 351).

S. 1512, with amendment, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to transfer responsibility for making appraisals from the Farm Credit Administration to the Federal land banks (S. Rept. 349).

S. 1513, with amendment, to clarify the status of the Federal land banks, Federal intermediate credit banks, and banks for cooperatives and their officers and employees with respect to certain laws applicable generally to the U. S. and its officers and employees (S. Rept. 350).

S. 1521, with amendment, to provide for the removal of restrictions on use with respect to a tract of land in Cumberland, Co., Tenn., formerly under the jurisdiction of FHA, which was conveyed to Tenn. (S. Rept. 348).

3. FORESTRY. A subcommittee of the Labor and Public Welfare Committee voted to report (but did not actually report) with amendments S. 812, to establish a Youth Conservation Corps (p. D411). Sen. Humphrey inserted a Minn. Legislature resolution favoring enactment of this bill (p. 8970).
4. FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS. Sen. Keating and others discussed problems of Federal-State relations, and Sen. Keating stated that he planned to introduce a resolution to create "a new Joint Committee of Congress on Federal-State Relations with jurisdiction to conduct a comprehensive study of the problems in this area." pp. 9018-28
5. FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Sen. Mundt inserted a speech by the director of the U. S. Information Agency, "Understanding: The One Sure Road to Peace," discussing "the role of the USIA in promoting cultural exchange." pp. 8980-1
6. EMPLOYMENT. Sen. Clark inserted a listing of areas of substantial labor surplus in May, and two articles discussing unemployment and the problem of inflation. pp. 8982-4
7. FOREIGN TRADE. Sen. Clark inserted an article, "Exports Gloom Held Too Thick," discussing the "decline in U. S. exports." p. 8984
8. ADJOURNED until Mon., June 8. p. 9028

HOUSE

9. PUBLIC WORKS APPROPRIATION BILL. Began debate on this bill, H. R. 7509 (pp. 9037-88, 9090-1). A summary of the projects covered in this bill as reported appears on pp. 9038-48. Rep. Anderson, Mont., commended the action of the Appropriations Committee "in repudiating the 'no new starts' reclamation policy of the administration," and Rep. Monagan termed this policy "unwise and unrealistic" (pp. 9060, 9087). Rep. Ullman urged restoration of funds for an Oregon transmission line which was shown to be "necessary" on the basis of a "comprehensive load study which was made by the [local] cooperative in cooperation with REA and BPA," and discussed a pending REA loan application (p. 9060). Rep. Weaver discussed a Nebraska flood control project which is partially the responsibility of SCS (p. 9063).
10. WHEAT. The Rules Committee formally reported a resolution for consideration of H. R. 7246, to revise acreage allotments and price supports for wheat. (See Digest 82, item 8, and Digest 81, item 24, for a summary of this bill. The Committee voted to report this resolution June 4.) p. 9096

USE OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY, TENN., LANDS

JUNE 5, 1959.—Ordered to be printed

MR. ELLENDER, from the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1521]

The Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1521) to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938, having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it do pass with amendments.

This bill would permit the State of Tennessee to make more effective public use of 14.36 acres of a larger tract conveyed to it by the United States for State park or forest purposes.

The committee amendments correct a reference to the previous conveyance and add a new section 2 to restrict use of the land to public purposes.

DEPARTMENTAL VIEWS

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, May 27, 1959.

HON. ALLEN J. ELLENDER,
Chairman, Committee on Agriculture and Forestry,
U.S. Senate.

DEAR SENATOR ELLENDER: This is in reply to your request of March 25, 1959, for a report on S. 1521, a bill to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

This Department favors enactment of the bill, provided it is first amended in lines 8 and 9 to show that the State holds under a deed from the United States of America executed by the Secretary of Agriculture in 1938.

The bill authorizes and directs the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land containing 14.36 acres, more or less, in Cumberland County, Tenn. This tract is part of 1,299.84 acres conveyed by the Government to the State of Tennessee by a quitclaim deed, dated June 29, 1938, for use for State park and State forest purposes only. This property is more particularly described as follows:

"Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs with the centerline of said highway South 45 degrees 12 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 43 degrees 03 minutes 15 seconds east 155.65 feet to a stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County, Tennessee."

The conveyance is sought primarily to enable the State highway department to construct a garage on the 14.36-acre tract. The remainder of the 1299.84-acre tract will continue to be used for the purposes for which it was conveyed in 1938.

The Bureau of the Budget advises that there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely yours,

TRUE D. MORSE, *Acting Secretary.*



86TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1521

[Report No. 348]

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 24, 1959

Mr. GORE introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

JUNE 5, 1959

Reported by Mr. ELLENDER, with amendments

[Omit the part struck through and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed
4 to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to
5 the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining
6 in the United States in and to the following described tract
7 of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is
8 held by such State under a deed executed by the ~~Farm~~
9 ~~Security Administrator~~ *Secretary of Agriculture* in 1938:
10 Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway

1 Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads
2 and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs
3 with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12
4 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence
5 continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23
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10 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence
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12 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45
13 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36
14 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner
15 of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County,
16 Tennessee.

17 *SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall pro-*
18 *vide that in the event that the lands cease to be used for public*
19 *purposes all right, title, and interest therein shall immediately*
20 *revert to and revest in the United States.*

[Report No. 348.]

A BILL

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

By Mr. GORE

MARCH 24, 1959

Read twice and referred to the Committee on
Agriculture and Forestry

JUNE 5, 1959

Reported with amendments

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HIGHLIGHTS: House passed wheat bill. Conferees were appointed in both Houses. Senate concurred in House amendment to tobacco price support bill. House received conference report on Interior appropriation bill (includes FS). Senate passed bill to extend authority for refinancing farm loans. Senate passed over bill to provide for centennial celebration of establishment of USDA and land-grant colleges. Sens. Johnston and Neuberger and Rep. Morrison introduced and Sen. Johnston discussed Federal employee health bill.

SENATE

1. TOBACCO. Concurred in the House amendment to S. 1901, which provides that tobacco price supports shall be 90% of parity computed under the new or old formula, whichever is lower (pp. 9583-4). This bill will now be sent to the President. The House amendment limited to \$50,000 the total amount of CCC loans or purchases made to any person on the 1960 production of tobacco.

2. WHEAT. Sen. Humphrey commended the action of the House in passing S. 1968, the wheat bill, and expressed hope that Senate conferees will agree with the House action. pp. 9634-5

Sen. Proxmire inserted a newspaper article, "The State of Congress," commenting on the status of legislation, including the lack of agreement "on a wheat program, let alone a basic change in the disastrous farm program generally." p. 9576

3. ALASKA. Agreed to the House amendment to H. R. 7120, to amend certain laws of the U. S. in light of the admission of Alaska into the Union (p. 9575). This bill will now be sent to the President.
4. FARM LOANS. Passed without amendment S. 1941, to amend Sec. 17 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act so as to continue the authority of FHA to make real estate loans for refinancing farm debts for two years, until June 30, 1961. p. 9589
5. WATER UTILIZATION. Passed without amendment H. R. 1306, to amend the Columbia Basin Project Act so as to permit delivery of water for use by Washington State College for research purposes (pp. 9584-5). This bill will now be sent to the President.
6. POSTAL RATES. Passed without amendment H. R. 5212, to revise the minimum charge on pieces of mail of odd sizes and shapes (p. 9587). This bill will now be sent to the President.
7. ARCHEOLOGICAL DATA. Passed without amendment S. 1185, to provide for the preservation of historical and archeological data which might otherwise be lost as a result of the construction of a dam. p. 9592
8. CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION. Passed over, at the request of Sen. Engle, H. R. 4012, to provide for the centennial celebration of the establishment of the Department of Agriculture and the land-grant colleges and State universities. p. 9587
Sen. Wiley urged passage of this bill and inserted a statement on the purpose of the centennial observances. pp. 9577-8
9. MILITARY CONSTRUCTION. Passed over, at the request of Sen. Engle, H. R. 5674, to authorize construction at military installations, including the use of foreign currencies under Public Law 480 for foreign military housing. p. 9584
10. REORGANIZATION PLANS. Passed over, at the request of Sen. Engle, H. R. 5140, to amend the Reorganization Act of 1949 so as to extend the time in which the Act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to Congress at any time before June 1, 1961. p. 9588
11. RESEARCH. Passed over, at the request of Sen. Engle, S. 864, to provide greater protection against the introduction and dissemination of diseases of livestock and poultry. p. 9589
12. FARM CREDIT. Passed over, at the request of Sen. Engle, S. 1513, to clarify the status of the Federal land banks, the Federal intermediate credit banks, and the banks for cooperatives and their officers and employees with respect to certain laws applicable to officers and employees of the U. S.; and S. 1512 to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to transfer responsibility for making appraisals from the Farm Credit Administration to the Federal land banks. p. 9589
13. APPROPRIATIONS. Passed over, at the request of Sen. Engle, S. 2094, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission. p. 9592
14. LAND. Passed as reported S. 1521, to provide for the removal of restrictions on use with respect to a tract of land in Cumberland Co., Tenn., formerly under the jurisdiction of FHA, which was conveyed to Tenn. pp. 9596

tion with one piece of property, but not in connection with the other; and the Army officials who handled the project for the Army has testified under oath that Mrs. Delaney had been assured that the property would be returned to her after the war, if she wanted it.

Mr. KEATING. Mr. President, will the Senator from Minnesota yield to me?

Mr. HUMPHREY. I yield.

Mr. KEATING. In the other case, was the property taken back at the same price?

Mr. HUMPHREY. Yes.

By the way, let me say that I dispute the Forest Service claim of a \$15,000 valuation.

First of all, during the war the property was damaged. It was a gunnery range. A forest is not exactly helped by being used as a gunnery range. In the second place, the buildings were removed. In the third place, no improvements were made. In the fourth place, the Government took off a substantial cut of timber, and sold it for a profit.

All that this lady is attempting to do is buy back the property for the price for which she sold it. The land has no buildings on it. The land has not been kept up. The timber has been taken off, and the property was damaged during the war.

Fortunately, Mrs. Delaney has a remarkable son, Mr. Charles Delaney. I was deeply impressed by him. He is a graduate forester, and he gave remarkable testimony.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of the Senator from Minnesota, under the rule, has expired.

PURCHASING PRACTICES OF DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

Mr. WILLIAMS of Delaware. Mr. President, on a reservation of objection, I have a brief statement to make on another subject.

Yesterday I called attention to the Comptroller General's report of May 21, 1959, in which he reported to the Congress a second instance wherein the McDonnell Aircraft Corp., St. Louis, Mo., had made unwarranted charges to the U.S. Government on certain contracts which had been awarded to that company on a negotiated rather than on a competitive bid basis.

Today I call attention to another of the Comptroller General's reports, which was just released this week—June 8, 1959—wherein he refers to another instance in which the taxpayers are losing millions of dollars through the present loose purchasing practices of the Defense Department.

This report deals with the ship overhaul contracting activities administered by Industrial Managers, Bureau of Ships, Department of the Navy.

I quote a portion of one section of this report, found on pages 6 and 7, entitled "Increased Ship Overhaul Costs Result From Laxity of Controls Over Supplemental Work":

Our tests indicated that additional work, totaling about \$16 million annually, authorized after award of the contract, costs at least \$2 million more than the same work would

have cost if competitive prices had been obtained. The prices negotiated for such work were generally between 115 and 170 percent of competitive prices for the same items.

The full report outlines unnecessary costs of several million dollars resulting from what the Comptroller General described as "lax" practices on the part of the procurement officers. This is but another of the long series of such critical reports that has been made recently by the General Accounting Office.

These reports all emphasize the urgent need for Congress to take action on a bill which will make it mandatory that the Federal Government in all agencies use standard competitive bidding practices to the same extent that they would be used by any sound business establishment.

There has been no stronger argument made in support of S. 1383 which would make such competitive bidding practices mandatory than the statement made by the Comptroller General in this report concerning these unnecessary charges. I quote:

The prices negotiated for such work were generally between 115 and 170 percent of competitive prices for the same items.

In commenting on these reports I think it is only appropriate that specific mention be made of the excellent job being done for the Congress and the American taxpayers by these auditors in the General Accounting Office. Unquestionably, as a result of their work millions of dollars have been saved, and if Congress now does its duty corrective legislation will be enacted.

CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OF THE UNITED STATES TO SOPHRONIA SMILEY DELANEY

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill (S. 6) to provide for the conveyance of certain real property of the United States to Sophronia Smiley Delaney and her sons.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to speak 3 minutes on the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MORSE. I should like to have the attention of the Senator from South Carolina and the Senator from Louisiana.

I think the facts are incontrovertible that this is a fee simple transaction. Title was passed without any restriction. The fact that there may have been some misunderstanding on the part of Mrs. Delaney does not change the fact that she signed the deed without any restriction. A deed cannot be changed by subsequent affidavit. Therefore, I do not see how I could possibly be in a defensible position if I let my heart run away from my mind on the equities of this case, when the fact is that complete title to the property was vested in the Federal Government.

Secondly, the Department of Agriculture, up until this moment, I understand, continues to object to this bill, and denies that there were any commitments

made to Mrs. Delaney whatsoever. The fact that some Army official in connection with the project now comes forward and, under oath, offers the testimony he gave in the record cannot change the deed. Therefore, so far as the Morse formula is concerned, I must object.

If the Senate wants to follow its procedure of taking this bill up by motion, it has the right to do so. If it thinks the equities are strong enough to act in that way, and overrule the Morse formula, it can do so. I hope it will not do so, but it can.

I must object, and I do object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the next bill passed to the foot of the calendar.

The bill (S. 1521) to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938, was announced as next in order.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, has the previous bill been passed?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The previous bill was objected to.

Mr. MANSFIELD. I call for the question.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The previous bill retains its place on the calendar if it is objected to.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, a parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I ask that the Louisiana bill be taken up now and voted on.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, a parliamentary inquiry.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon will state it.

Mr. MORSE. Is this a unanimous-consent request?

Mr. MANSFIELD. I make that request in the form of a motion. It is not a unanimous-consent request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair is informed by the Parliamentarian that a motion is not in order at this time.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Is that because the Senate is still considering calendar business under the unanimous-consent agreement?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Yes.

DONATION OF CERTAIN LAND TO THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF WARM SPRINGS, OREG.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, on that basis, I ask unanimous consent that the vote by which Calendar No. 326, Senate bill 1818, to donate to the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, Oreg., approximately 48.89 acres of Federal land was passed earlier in the day be reconsidered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

Mr. MANSFIELD. I move that the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs be discharged from further consideration of House bill 6914, and that the Senate proceed to consider the House bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The House bill will be stated by title for the information of the Senate.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. A bill, H.R. 6914, to donate to the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, Oreg., approximately 48.89 acres of Federal land.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion of the Senator from Montana.

The motion was agreed to; and the bill (H.R. 6914) was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, Senate bill 1818 is indefinitely postponed.

REMOVAL OF RESTRICTION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN LAND IN CUMBERLAND COUNTY, TENN.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The next bill passed to the foot of the calendar will be called.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1521) to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938, which had been reported from the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, with amendments, on page 1, line 8, after the word "the", to strike out "Farm Security Administrator" and insert "Secretary of Agriculture", and on page 2, after line 16, to insert a new section, as follows:

Sec. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall provide that in the event that the lands cease to be used for public purposes all right, title, and interest therein shall immediately revert to and revest in the United States.

So as to make the bill read:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining in the United States in and to the following described tract of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is held by such State under a deed executed by the Secretary of Agriculture in 1938:

Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 43 degrees 03 minutes and 15 seconds east 155.65 feet to a stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County, Tennessee.

Sec. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall provide that in the event that the lands cease to be used for public purposes

all right, title, and interest therein shall immediately revert to and revest in the United States.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, I should like to have the attention of Senator from Louisiana [Mr. ELLENDER], who I know must go to a meeting of the Appropriations Committee. I shall be very brief.

Mr. President, S. 1521 authorizes and directs the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest of the Federal Government to a tract of land consisting of approximately 14.26 acres. This tract is part of 1,299.84 acres conveyed by the Government to the State of Tennessee by quitclaim deed in 1938 for State park and forest purposes only.

The conveyance is sought to enable the State highway department to construct a garage on the 14.26 acre tract. The remainder will be used for the purposes for which it was conveyed in 1938.

Mr. President, if the bill to authorize conveyance of the 1,299.84 acres were before us in the first instance in 1959, instead of 1938, I would raise a question of the applicability of the Morse formula, and in all likelihood the payment of 50 percent of fair appraised market value would be required. However, that is water over the dam, so to speak.

The question is now presented, should the Morse formula be applicable to a partial removal of the original restriction which limited the use of the land to State park and State forest purposes only?

Mr. President, I should like to ask the distinguished senior Senator from Louisiana, would the 14.26 acres, which S. 1521 seeks to remove from the original restriction, be used for purposes related to the maintenance of the entire tract for State park and State forest purposes? I ask this, because Senate Report No. 348 is not clear on that point.

I assume the garage is needed for the highway department in connection with a highway needed for State park and State forest purposes.

Mr. ELLENDER. That was my impression. We have no direct evidence on the point. The garage is a State garage, and it houses tractors and machinery necessary to maintain the roads in the park and the roads nearby.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, with that explanation, I have no objection. Let the RECORD show I have no objection, because the removal of this limitation is for the purpose of building a garage to maintain a road which is necessary to maintain the State park for which the grant was originally made.

Mr. ELLENDER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD an explanation of S. 1521.

There being no objection, the statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

EXPLANATION OF S. 1521

In 1938 the Government conveyed a tract of 1,299.4 acres in Cumberland County, Tenn., to the State of Tennessee for State park and State forest purposes. The State of Tennessee would now like to use 14.36

acres of this tract for the construction of a garage by the State highway department. The bill would permit the State to use this 14.36 acres for any public purpose. This is consonant with the original conveyance and would permit the State to make the best possible use of this land for the public benefit. The remainder of the tract would continue to be usable only for State park and State forest purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the committee amendments.

The amendments were agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JUAN, P.R.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 822) to authorize the conveyance of certain property administered as a part of the San Juan National Historic Site to the municipality of San Juan, P.R., in exchange for its development by the municipality in a manner that will enhance the historic site, and for other purposes.

Mr. MORSE. Mr. President, Calendar No. 374, S. 822, as I understand, authorizes the conveyance of certain property administered as a part of the San Juan National Historical Site to the municipality of San Juan, P.R., in exchange for its development by the municipality in a manner which will enhance the historic site.

The conveyance consists of one-third of an acre of federally owned land to be used as a city park. All costs are to be borne by the municipality. The land would revert to the United States should it not be used for the purpose contained in the bill.

Puerto Rico is, in effect, a part of the United States. Thus the case is akin to a transfer of land from one department of the Government to another.

As I say, Puerto Rico is virtually a part of the United States, judging from the fact that we still have some Federal interest and jurisdiction rights. In view of that, I think the transfer would be analogous to a transfer from one Federal department to another Federal department in our own country. Therefore, this would not violate the Morse formula; and on the basis of that understanding, I have no objection.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there be no amendment to be proposed, the question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to enhance the setting and to promote the public appreciation and enjoyment of the San Juan National Historic Site, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized, in his discretion, to convey to the municipality of San Juan, Puerto Rico, that certain tract of land described below: *Provided*, That in exchange therefor and in accordance with the requirements hereinafter set forth, the mu-

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S. 1521

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 15, 1959

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AN ACT

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed
4 to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to
5 the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining
6 in the United States in and to the following described tract
7 of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is
8 held by such State under a deed executed by the Secretary
9 of Agriculture in 1938:

10 Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway

1 Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads
2 and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs
3 with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12
4 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence
5 continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23
6 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a
7 stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway
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10 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence
11 north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90
12 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45
13 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36
14 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner
15 of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County, Ten-
16 nessee.

17 SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall pro-
18 vide that in the event that the lands cease to be used for
19 public purposes all right, title, and interest therein shall
20 immediately revert to and revest in the United States.

Passed the Senate June 12, 1959.

Attest:

FELTON M. JOHNSTON,

Secretary.

AN ACT

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

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HOUSE

1. AGRICULTURAL ATTACHES. The Agriculture Committee voted to report (but did not actually report) H. R. 8074, to permit the assignment of agricultural attaches, etc., to duty in the U. S. for a maximum of four years without reduction in grade. p. D710
2. FORESTRY. The "Daily Digest" states that the Agriculture Committee "adopted and forwarded to the Committee on Appropriations a committee resolution endorsing the long-range program for the development of the national forests." p. D710
3. INFORMATION. The "Daily Digest" states that the Agriculture Committee adopted and forwarded to the Judiciary Committee a resolution relating to the proclamation of National Farm-City Week. p. D710

4. WATERSHED. The "Daily Digest" states that watershed projects in Ohio, Indiana, Maryland, and Texas were approved by the Agriculture Committee. p. D710
5. LANDS. The Agriculture Committee voted to report (but did not actually report) the following bills: ~~(1) H. R. 5442, to authorize this Department to convey certain lands in Iowa to the city of Keosauqua; (2) H. R. 5973, concerning the removal of the restriction on a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn.; and (3) H. R. 6669, with amendment, to provide that the Louisiana State University may use certain real property heretofore conveyed to it for general educational purposes.~~ p. D710
6. VIRGIN ISLANDS. The Territorial and Insular Affairs Subcommittee of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee voted to report (but did not actually report) with amendment H. R. 7870, to amend the revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands. p. D711
7. ATOMIC ENERGY APPROPRIATION BILL FOR 1960. Conferees were appointed on this bill, H. R. 8283. The Appropriations Committee was authorized to file the conference report by midnight Aug. 5. Senate conferees have already been appointed. p. 13785
8. FOREIGN CURRENCIES. The Appropriations Committee was authorized to file a report on the military construction bill by midnight Fri., Aug. 7. p. 13788
9. HOUSING; DEPRESSED AREAS. Rep. Curtin urged support for his bill, H. R. 4796, which he stated provides "much-needed temporary relief from the pressure of FHA-insured and VA-guaranteed mortgages in distress cases where extraordinary circumstances prevail," and suggested that this bill might be incorporated in the omnibus housing bill to be considered. p. 13802

SENATE

10. FARM PROGRAM. Sen. Ellender expressed disappointment over a letter from the Secretary "transmitting to me proposed draft legislation to accomplish the President's views on a farm program," stated that the proposals were the same as he "presented to the committee beginning as far back as February," stated that he understood from a letter he received from the President that the administration "was prepared to send to me, in response to my request, proposed legislation which, in the light of what Congress did last month and the month before, might have some chance of passage," and charged the Secretary "is once again laying the cornerstone for what I feel sure will be a series of nationwide speaking trips endeavoring to lay the blame for no new farm legislation at the doorstep of Congress." Sen. Ellender inserted copies of correspondence between himself and the President discussing proposed new farm legislation, a copy of the Secretary's August 3, 1959, letter with a draft of proposed legislation, and copies of letters from this Department (on May 1) concerning drafts of legislation submitted to Rep. Whitten. Sen. Symington commended Sen. Ellender's statement and criticized the Secretary as refusing "to give us his overall recommendations." pp. 13754-60
11. ELECTRIFICATION. The Public Works Committee reported without amendment S. 2471, to amend H. R. 3460, so as to delete a provision which would bar commitment for any TVA power construction until a proposal for such construction had been before Congress for 90 days without modifying action by concurrent resolution (S. Rept. 607). p. 13725

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12. PUBLIC LANDS; WILDLIFE. The Judiciary Committee reported without amendment H. R. 2725, to prohibit the use of aircraft or motor vehicles to hunt wild horses or burros on public lands (S. Rept. 802). p. 15358
 13. ACCOUNTING; ALLOTMENTS. Received from this Department a report on the obligation of an allotment under the school lunch program. p. 15357
 14. APPROPRIATIONS. Received from the President a supplemental appropriation estimate for various agencies (does not include any estimate for this Department). p. 15357
 15. WATERSHEDS. Both Houses received from the Budget Bureau a report on plans for works of improvement on the following watersheds: Blackberry River and N. Branch Park River, Conn., Taylor Creek, Fla., Potato Creek, Ga., Crab Orchard Creek, Ky., East Fork of Clarks River, Ky. and Tenn., SuAsCo, Mass., Bowman-Spring Branch, Nebr., Santa Cruz River, N. Mex., Willakenzie area, Ore., Green-Dreher, Pa., and Caney Creek, Tex.; to S. Agriculture and Forestry and H. Agriculture Committees; and Caney-Coon Creek, Okla.; to Public Works Committees. pp. 15357, 15468
 16. FOREIGN TRADE. Received from the Commerce Department a report on export control for the second quarter of 1959. p. 15357
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17. SMALL BUSINESS. Passed without amendment H. R. 8599, to amend the Small Business Act so as to increase the revolving fund of the Small Business Administration from \$900,000,000 to \$1,100,000,000. pp. 15419-23
 18. VEHICLES. Began debate on H. R. 1341, to require passenger-carrying motor vehicles purchased for use by the Federal Government to meet certain safety standards. pp. 15424-46
 19. MINERALS; LANDS. Debated H. Con. Res. 177, declaring the sense of Congress on the depressed domestic mining and mineral industries affecting public and other lands. (pp. 15423-4, 15446-58). The resolution providing for the consideration of this measure was adopted earlier in the day (pp. 15423-4).
 20. LANDS. The Agriculture Committee reported without amendment ~~S. 1453, to authorize this Department to sell a tract of Forest Service land to Keosauqua, Iowa (H. Rept. 965); S. 1521, to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn. (H. Rept. 966); and with amendment H. R. 6669, to provide that the Louisiana State University may use certain real property heretofore conveyed to it for general educational purposes (H. Rept. 976).~~ pp. 15468-9
 21. RECLAMATION. The Interior and Insular Affairs Committee reported with amendment H. R. 4279, to construct and maintain the lower Rio Grande rehabilitation project, Texas (H. Rept. 971), and without amendment H. R. 4952, to amend the Act authorizing the Crooked River Federal reclamation project, Oregon, in order to increase the capacity of certain project features for future irrigation of additional lands (H. Rept. 973). pp. 15468-9

22. WHEAT. The Agriculture Committee reported without amendment H. R. 4874, to provide for preserving wheat acreage history on farms on which the farm marketing excess is adjusted to zero because of underproduction (H. Rept. 972). pp. 15468-9
23. RESEARCH; FISHERIES. The Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee reported with amendment H. R. 5004, to undertake continuing research on the biology of the migratory marine species of game fish of the U. S. and contiguous waters (H. Rept. 974); and without amendment H. R. 5813, to undertake continuing studies of the effects of insecticides upon fish and wildlife for the purpose of preventing losses of those invaluable natural resources (H. Rept. 975). p. 15469
24. SOIL BANK. The Agriculture Committee reported with amendment H. R. 8043, to authorize certain conservation reserve payments to producers due to erroneous contract approval (H. Rept. 977). p. 15469
25. AGRICULTURAL ATTACHES. The Agriculture Committee reported without amendment H. R. 8074, to permit the assignment of agricultural attaches to duty in the U. S. for a maximum of four years without reduction in grade (H. Rept. 978). p. 15469
26. TARIFFS; EXHIBITS. The Ways and Means Committee reported with amendment H. R. 6249, to liberalize the tariff laws for works of art and other exhibition material (H. Rept. 984). p. 15469
27. PERSONNEL. The report of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee in reporting S. 2162, to provide an employee health insurance program, summarizes the major provisions of the bill as follows:

"The reported bill makes basic and catastrophic health protection available to approximately 2 million Federal employees and their dependents. Employees will have free choice among health benefits plans in four major categories, including (1) a Government-wide service benefit plan, such as is offered by Blue Cross-Blue Shield, (2) a Government-wide indemnity benefit plan, such as is currently offered by several insurance companies, (3) one of several employee organization plans, such as the present health plans of the National Association of Letter Carriers and the National Federation of Post Office Clerks, and (4) a comprehensive medical plan, which may be either a group-practice prepayment plan (such as the Kaiser Foundation plan in California and the Group Health Association plan in Washington, D.C.) or an individual-practice prepayment plan (such as the Group Health Insurance plan in New York). The Government-wide service benefit plan and the Government-wide indemnity benefit plan each will include at least two levels of benefits.

"The reported bill retains the provisions of the Senate-passed bill (1) providing for 50 percent contribution by the Government to subscription charges and (2) establishing biweekly maximum contributions of \$1.75 for an individual employee, \$4.25 for an employee and family, and \$2.50 for a female employee and family including a non-dependent husband.

USE OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY, TENN., LANDS

AUG. 24, 1959.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. COOLEY, from the Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany S. 1521]

The Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1521) to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938. Having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE

This bill would permit the State of Tennessee to make more effective public use of 14.36 acres of a larger tract conveyed to it by the United States for State park or forest purposes.

COST

The cost of this bill would be negligible. The 14.36 acres affected by this bill have previously been conveyed to the State of Tennessee for State park and State forest use only. This bill would authorize and direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey all right, title and interest in the tract, subject to a public use requirement.

NEED FOR LEGISLATION

The conveyance is necessary to enable the State highway department to construct a garage on the 14.36-acre tract.

DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL

The Department of Agriculture favors enactment of this bill and an identical bill, H.R. 5973, by Mr. Evins, with an amendment to show that the State holds under a deed from the United States of America

executed by the Secretary of Agriculture in 1938. This amendment was adopted by the Senate and is incorporated in S. 1521 as reported herein. In addition, the Senate added section 2 of the bill which restricts the use of the conveyed land to public purposes. This amendment is also incorporated in the bill as reported herein.

The committee has been informally advised by the Department that there is no objection to this amendment. The Department's report on the bill is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, May 27, 1959.

Hon. ALLEN J. ELLENDER,
Chairman, Committee on Agriculture and Forestry,
U.S. Senate.

DEAR SENATOR ELLENDER: This is in reply to your request of March 25, 1959, for a report on S. 1521, a bill to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

This Department favors enactment of the bill, provided it is first amended in lines 8 and 9 to show that the State holds under a deed from the United States of America executed by the Secretary of Agriculture in 1938.

The bill authorizes and directs the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land containing 14.36 acres, more or less, in Cumberland County, Tenn. This tract is part of 1,299.84 acres conveyed by the Government to the State of Tennessee by a quitclaim deed, dated June 29, 1938, for use for State park and State forest purposes only. This property is more particularly described as follows:

"Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 43 degrees 03 minutes 15 seconds east 155.65 feet to a stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County, Tennessee."

The conveyance is sought primarily to enable the State highway department to construct a garage on the 14.36-acre tract. The remainder of the 1,299.84-acre tract will continue to be used for the purposes for which it was conveyed in 1938.

The Bureau of the Budget advises that there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely yours,

TRUE D. MORSE, *Acting Secretary.*

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S. 1521

[Report No. 966]

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AN ACT

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3 That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed
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5 the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining
6 in the United States in and to the following described tract
7 of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is
8 held by such State under a deed executed by the Secretary
9 of Agriculture in 1938:

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19 public purposes all right, title, and interest therein shall
20 immediately revert to and revest in the United States.

Passed the Senate June 12, 1959.

Attest:

FELTON M. JOHNSTON,

Secretary.

AN ACT

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

JUNE 15, 1959

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture

AUGUST 24, 1959

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Aug 31, 1959

10. WHEAT. Passed without amendment H. R. 4874, to provide that farms on which the farm marketing excess of wheat is adjusted to zero because of underproduction shall be regarded as farms on which the entire amount of the farm marketing excess of wheat has been delivered to the Secretary or stored to avoid or postpone the payment of the penalty. p. 15991.
11. WATERSHEDS. Passed without amendment H. R. 4781, to make the provisions of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act applicable to the 11 major watershed projects included in the watershed improvement programs authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1944. p. 15997.
12. RECLAMATION. Passed without amendment S. 1221, to amend the act authorizing the Crooked River Federal reclamation project, Ore., in order to increase the capacity of certain project features for future irrigation of additional lands. A similar bill (H. R. 4952) was tabled. This bill will now be sent to the President. p. 15991.
13. AGRICULTURAL ATTACHES. Passed over, at the request of Rep. Gross, H. R. 3074, to permit the assignment of agricultural attaches to duty in the U. S. for a maximum of four years without reduction in grade. pp. 15993-4.
14. AREA REDEVELOPMENT. Rep. Anderson, Mont., urged enactment of area redevelopment legislation. p. 16000.
15. RESEARCH. As reported by the Agriculture Committee (see Digest 147), H. R. 8639 provides as follows: Creates an independent agency in the executive branch, the Agricultural Research and Development Commission, to consist of 7 members appointed by the President subject to Senate confirmation. Provides that the Commission would appraise agriculture's research needs and opportunities, including the effectiveness of the current research program, and would recommend areas of research which should be initiated, expanded, redirected, or terminated. The Commission would also review the organizational structure of the Department with regard to research administration and make recommendations to the Secretary for any changes as would strengthen the program. The Executive Director of the Commission would be appointed by the Secretary from nominees of the Commission, but could be removed by the Commission. The Commission would make annual reports to the Secretary and the Congress, with industrial utilization receiving special emphasis. The bill authorizes the Department to (a) make contracts with and grants to public and private agencies for the conduct of research to implement the bill, including experimental commercialization of new crops and new uses for agricultural products; and (b) to grant exclusive licenses for a fixed period not in excess of 5 years for the use of patents under control of the Department. The National Research Advisory Committee would be abolished.
16. POULTRY. Rep. Marshall stated that from a farmer's standpoint, the egg price and income situation is "admittedly worse now" than it was in 1950 and termed it "ironical" that past "experience with eggs should be so completely ignored and misunderstood by a Republican administration" and by implication criticized the Secretary for not favoring some type of price supports for eggs. pp. 16001-3.
17. ELECTRIFICATION. Rep. Alger stated that it was not logical to assume that most farmers would be without electric service had it not been for REA, criticized "ill-advised and questionable loans to power type electric cooperatives, to pay for unnecessary duplication of utility services in areas served by taxpaying

corporations," contended that it would be in the public interest for Congress to help farmers in establishing a self-financing and farmer-operated electrification program. Rep. Kasem and others debated the subject. pp. 16011-5

18. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; PRICES. Rep. Johnson, Colo., and others discussed certain economic policies adhered to by Congress and the Administration, and Rep. Johnson urged support for the Clark-Reuss bill on price stability, which he said "puts the spotlight of publicity on price rises." pp. 16003-11.
19. PUBLIC WORKS APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1960. Received President's veto message on this bill, H. R. 7509 (H. Doc. 222). pp. 15969-70.
Rep. Roush urged that Congress vote to override the President's veto of the public works appropriation bill (p. 16003). Rep. Curtis announced that although he was in sympathy with those wishing to override the veto, he would vote to sustain the President because of the over-all fiscal and budgetary implications of the proposed Federal expenditures in the bill. Rep. Johnson, Colo., contested the point. pp. 16015-6.
20. COCONUT OIL. Passed over, at the request of Rep. Boland, H. J. Res. 441, relating to the disposition of coconut oil from the national stockpile under the Strategic and Critical Materials Stockpiling Act. p. 15973.
21. WILDLIFE. Passed over, at the request of Rep. Thomson, Wyo., H. R. 2565, to promote effectual planning, development, maintenance, and coordination of wildlife, fish, and game conservation and rehabilitation in military reservations. p. 15977.
Passed over, at the request of Rep. Rivers, H. R. 7045, to authorize the establishment of the Arctic Wildlife Range, Alaska. p. 15977.
22. VEHICLES. Passed over, at the request of Rep. Gross, H. R. 766, relating to the penalties for the use of Government-owned vehicles for other than official purposes. p. 15973.
23. SURPLUS PROPERTY. Passed as reported H. R. 3722, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to permit donations of surplus property to volunteer firefighting organizations. pp. 15978-80.
24. FORESTRY; INDIANS. Passed without amendment S. 2421, to amend the Klamath Indian Termination Act so as to change from Apr. 1, 1961 to the earliest date after Sept. 30, 1959, the time after which the U. S. may take title to the Klamath Marsh and make payments to the Klamath Indians for the land. A similar House bill, H. R. 8501, was laid on the table. (p. 15980). This bill will now be sent to the President.
25. LANDS. Passed without amendment S. 1453, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell and convey certain forest lands in Iowa to the city of Keosauqua (pp. 15988-9). This bill will now be sent to the President.
Passed without amendment S. 1521, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to Tennessee all right, title and interest remaining in the U. S. in a tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn. Rep. Evins stated that this bill "will permit the State of Tennessee to make more effective and efficient public use of 14.36 acres of a larger tract of land conveyed to the State... in 1938" (p. 15989). This bill will now be sent to the President.

sell and convey to the city of Keosauqua, Iowa, by quitclaim deed, at the fair market value as determined by him, and subject to all outstanding rights, all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to that certain tract of land containing ninety-nine and fifty-seven one-hundredths acres, more or less, located in Van Buren County, Iowa, in and adjacent to the city of Keosauqua, conveyed to the United States by the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of North Dakota by deed dated December 10, 1936, and recorded in Van Buren County in book 78 on page 303.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

USE OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY, TENN., LANDS

The Clerk called the bill (S. 1521) to provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tenn., conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining in the United States in and to the following described tract of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is held by such State under a deed executed by the Secretary of Agriculture in 1938:

Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 43 degrees 03 minutes and 15 seconds east 155.65 feet to a stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County, Tennessee.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall provide that in the event that the lands cease to be used for public purposes all right, title, and interest therein shall immediately revert to and revest in the United States.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

(Mr. EVINS asked and was given permission to extend his remarks at this point in the RECORD.)

Mr. EVINS. Mr. Speaker, the bill just passed will permit the State of Tennessee to make more effective and efficient public use of 14.36 acres of a larger tract of land conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938 by the United States.

This bill is, in effect, a quitclaim to the State of Tennessee of a small parcel of land which is now a part of the Cumberland State Park, Cumberland County, in the Fourth District of Tennessee which I have the honor to represent. The land conveyed was transferred to the State of Tennessee by the Farm Security Administration in 1938 for use as a park. This park and forest area covers approximately 1,250 acres.

The Commissioner of Highways and the State Highway Department of Tennessee have plans for constructing a highway maintenance garage at a remote north-east corner of this tract using this small portion of the land conveyed for this purpose. A public use of the land will thus be continued and assured.

The use of this land by the State Highway Department at this particular location will in no sense affect the operation of the park. As a matter of fact, the commissioner of conservation, State of Tennessee, who has jurisdiction over the State parks, has expressed his agreement and approval of the use of this land for the purposes indicated.

The Secretary of Agriculture and the Bureau of the Budget have indicated that there is no objection to the passage of the bill.

In the original conveyance of this land from the Farm Security Administration to the State of Tennessee there is a clause providing for reversion of the property in the event it ceases to be used exclusively for State park or State forest purposes. The Secretary of Agriculture has indicated that he has no authority to permit modification or release from the reversionary provisions in the original conveyance. Thus, the passage of this bill is necessary to release this land to the State Highway Department for the more effective public use and for the desired purposes.

The Senate has previously passed the bill. The cost will be negligible. The public interest will be served.

EXTENDING TIME FOR VESSEL CONSTRUCTION RESERVE FUNDS

The Clerk called the bill (S. 2013) to amend section 511(h) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, in order to extend the time for commitment of construction reserve funds.

Mr. VANIK. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, will the chairman of the committee kindly explain the reserve fund involved in this legislation?

Mr. BONNER. Yes. These are funds that are placed in the reserve deposits of the Maritime Administration for ship construction. Under the law the fund is available for a certain length of time. If it is not used for the replacement of a vessel it has to be taken out and these funds are put in there tax exempt and may only be used where a new vessel is built to replace an old vessel of 20 years or more.

Mr. VANIK. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield further?

Mr. BONNER. I yield.

Mr. VANIK. Are these funds subject to investment at the discretion of the American-Hawaiian Steamship Co.?

Mr. BONNER. They are subject to investment by the Maritime Board under certain conditions, yes, not by the shipping company; but the funds are preserved for the replacement of the American fleet. That is the purpose.

Mr. VANIK. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso at the end of section 511(h) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, is amended to read as follows: "Provided, That until January 1, 1961, in addition to the extensions hereinbefore permitted, further extensions may be granted ending not later than December 31, 1961."

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this act shall take effect June 30, 1959, or on the date of enactment of this act, whichever date first occurs.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COAST GUARD TO PRESCRIBE LIFESAVING REGULATIONS

The Clerk called the bill (S. 2118) to amend section 4488 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to prescribe regulations governing lifesaving equipment, firefighting equipment, muster lists, ground tackle, hawsers, and bilge systems aboard vessels, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4488 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (46 U.S.C. 481), is further amended to read as follows:

"(a) In order to provide against hazard to life and property, the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating (hereinafter referred to as the 'Secretary') shall prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary for vessels subject to inspection and certification by the United States Coast Guard with respect to the following matters:

"(1) Lifesaving equipment, including, but not limited to, the number, type, size, capacity, details of construction, methods of operation, stowage, maintenance, manning, use, testing, and inspecting of such equipment, and drills and exercises necessary to assure proper functioning and use of such equipment.

"(2) Firefighting equipment and precautionary measures guarding against fire, including, but not limited to, the number, type, size, capacity, details of construction, methods of operation, stowage, maintenance, manning, use, testing, and inspecting of such equipment, and drills and exercises necessary to assure proper functioning and use of such equipment.

"(3) Muster lists, including, but not limited to, the posting of such lists, and pre-

scribing the special duties to be performed by crew members in the event of emergency.

"(4) Ground tackle and hawsers, including, but not limited to, the number, size, stowage, use, maintenance, manning, testing, and inspection.

"(5) Bilge systems for the removal of liquid from the various parts of the vessel, including, but not limited to, design, installation, capacity, composition, functioning, manning, testing, and inspection.

"(b) (1) In prescribing rules and regulations pursuant to this section, the Secretary shall give consideration to the age, size, service, route, and other factors affecting the operation of the vessels.

"(2) Unless otherwise prescribed by treaty or other international agreement, the rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary pursuant to this section shall be applicable to all foreign vessels carrying passengers from ports of the United States.

"(3) The Secretary may, upon his own motion, or upon the application of any interested party, determine that the application to any vessel of the rules and regulations prescribed pursuant to this section, or any part thereof, is not necessary in the public interest, and he may order such vessel exempt from their application upon such terms and conditions and for such periods of time as he may specify in the order.

"(c) The owner or operator of any vessel who neglects or refuses to provide and equip his vessel with the lifesaving, firefighting, or other equipment, or take other measures required by the rules or regulations issued pursuant to this section shall be liable to the United States in a penalty of \$1,000 for each such neglect or refusal for which sum the vessel shall be liable and may be seized and proceeded against by way of libel in any district court of the United States having jurisdiction of the violation; and any master or person in charge of such vessel who so defaults shall be liable to a penalty of \$500.

"(d) Any person who willfully and knowingly manufactures or sells, or offers for sale, or has in his possession with intent to sell, any lifesaving, firefighting, or other equipment subject to the provisions of title 52 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, which is so defective as to be inefficient to accomplish the purpose for which it is intended, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 and may, in addition thereto, in the discretion of the Court, be imprisoned for a term not exceeding five years."

Sec. 2. To the extent that any existing provision of law, or any rule or regulation prescribed pursuant thereto, is in conflict with any provision of section 4488 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 481), such section as amended by this Act, and the rules and regulations hereafter prescribed pursuant thereto, shall prevail.

Sec. 3. (a) The following Acts or parts of Acts and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed:

(1) Section 4470 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 463).

(2) Section 4471 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 464).

(3) Section 4479 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 472).

(4) Section 4481 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 474).

(5) Section 4482 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 475).

(6) Section 4483 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 476).

(7) Section 4492 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 490).

(8) Section 2(a) of the Act of October 9, 1940 (ch. 777, 54 Stat. 1028; 46 U.S.C. 463a).

(9) Section 11 of the Act of May 28, 1908 (ch. 212, 35 Stat. 428; 46 U.S.C. 396).

(b) Any reference in any other law to any Act, or any part thereof, repealed by this Act shall be deemed as a reference to section 4488 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (46 U.S.C. 481).

Sec. 4. Any rights or liabilities existing on the effective date of this Act shall not be affected by the enactment of this Act. Any procedures or rules or regulations in effect on the effective date of this Act shall remain in effect until modified or superseded under the authority of this Act.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

WORLD WAR II INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR SEAMEN

The Clerk called the bill (S. 2334) to transfer from the Department of Commerce to the Department of Labor certain functions in respect of insurance benefits and disability payments to seamen for World War II service-connected injuries, death, or disability, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Commerce shall certify to the Secretary of Labor amounts payable under crew life and injury and second seamen's war risk insurance policies issued under authority of subtitle "Insurance" of title II of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, extended, and supplemented (Act of June 29, 1940, section 222 (54 Stat. 689); Act of March 6, 1942 (56 Stat. 140); Act of April 11, 1942 (56 Stat. 214); Act of March 24, 1943, section 2 (57 Stat. 45); Act of September 30, 1944 (58 Stat. 758); Act of August 8, 1946 (60 Stat. 937)). Payments of such amounts so certified shall be made by the Secretary of Labor from the Employees' Compensation Fund established under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, as amended (5 U.S.C. 751, 785).

Sec. 2. The powers, duties, and functions of the Secretary of Commerce in respect of permanent total or partial disability benefits (allowable upon exhaustion of insurance benefits referred to in section 1 hereof) under section 2(c) of the Act of March 24, 1943 (Public Law 17, Seventy-eighth Congress; 57 Stat. 45), as amended by the Act of September 30, 1944 (Public Law 449, Seventy-eighth Congress; 58 Stat. 758), are hereby transferred to the Secretary of Labor. Payments of such benefits, including costs and payments on account of medical care authorized by the Secretary of Labor, shall be made by him from the Employees' Compensation Fund as established under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, as amended (5 U.S.C. 751, 785). The Secretary of Commerce shall furnish to the Secretary of Labor such information, data, and reports and certifications in respect of cases within the purview of this section as the Secretary of Labor may request. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize any appeal to, or review or redetermination by, the Secretary of Labor from any order, finding, determination, or adjudication in respect of eligibility for benefits made by the Secretary of Commerce in force on the effective date of this Act, except upon a showing to the satisfaction of the Secretary of Labor of a change in the nature and extent of the disability for which benefits were approved for payment in accordance with the provisions of such Acts.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of Labor is authorized to make such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary or appropriate to carry

out the provisions of this Act and the functions vested in him by this Act.

Sec. 4. This Act shall become effective as of July 1, 1959.

Mr. COHELAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman from North Carolina yield?

Mr. BONNER. I yield to the gentleman from California [Mr. GEORGE P. MILLER] to explain the bill.

Mr. GEORGE P. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, this bill would transfer from the Maritime Administration to the Department of Labor the matter of the payment of benefits to disabled ex-seamen. Heretofore this has been handled by the Maritime Administration. There are only 62 of these ex-seamen now receiving benefits. The purpose is to transfer to the Department of Labor where other similar claims are handled.

Mr. PUCINSKI. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GEORGE P. MILLER. I yield. Mr. PUCINSKI. Will this then enable a reduction of the staff now handling it?

Mr. GEORGE P. MILLER. No; they are not reduced because the determination of the amount due the seamen is made by the Maritime Administration.

Mr. PUCINSKI. Possibly the gentleman does not understand my question. In transferring these responsibilities to the Department of Labor will it be possible for the Department of Commerce to reduce its staff for the number of people now required to handle the claims of these 62 men?

Mr. GEORGE P. MILLER. I presume it will, but I do not know. It presumably would take a very small staff to handle such a small number of claims, but this is to be transferred to another department that has been set up for such purposes.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

FORT McDERMITT PAIUTE AND SHOSHONE TRIBE OF INDIANS

The Clerk called the bill (H.R. 24) to provide that certain real property of the United States situated in the State of Nevada shall be held in trust for members of the Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe of Indians of the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation, Nev.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all right, title, and interest in the United States in and to the real property described in section 2 of this Act and lying within the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation, Nevada, is hereby declared to be held in trust by the United States for the use and benefit of the members of the Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe of Indians of the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation, Nevada.

Sec. 2. The real property referred to in the first section of this Act is more particularly described as the south half northeast quarter and north half southeast quarter section 7, township 47 north, range 39 east, Mount Diablo base and meridian, Nevada, containing 160 acres more or less.

Public Law 86-227
86th Congress, S. 1521
September 8, 1959

AN ACT

73 STAT. 455.

To provide for the removal of the restriction on use with respect to a certain tract of land in Cumberland County, Tennessee, conveyed to the State of Tennessee in 1938.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and directed to convey by quitclaim deed or other appropriate means to the State of Tennessee all right, title, and interest remaining in the United States in and to the following described tract of land situated in Cumberland County, Tennessee, which is held by such State under a deed executed by the Secretary of Agriculture in 1938:

Cumberland
County, Tenn.
Conveyance.

Beginning at a stake in the center of State Highway Numbered 28 where the lands of Cumberland Homesteads and the lands of Cumberland State Park corner and runs with the centerline of said highway south 45 degrees 12 minutes and 15 seconds east 177.73 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 23 degrees 38 minutes and 30 seconds east 755.40 feet to a stake; thence continuing with the centerline of said highway south 43 degrees 03 minutes and 15 seconds east 155.65 feet to a stake; thence leaving said highway south 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds west 600 feet to a stake; thence north 29 degrees 54 minutes and 00 seconds west 1,073.90 feet to a stake; thence north 44 degrees 13 minutes and 45 seconds east 600 feet to the beginning; containing 14.36 acres, more or less; being located at the northeast corner of the Cumberland State Park in Cumberland County, Tennessee.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act shall provide that in the event that the lands cease to be used for public purposes all right, title, and interest therein shall immediately revert to and revert in the United States.

Approved September 8, 1959.

